

107TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. RES. 206

Designating the week of March 17 through March 23, 2002 as “National Inhalants and Poison Prevention Week”.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 8, 2002

Mr. MURKOWSKI submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## RESOLUTION

Designating the week of March 17 through March 23, 2002 as “National Inhalants and Poison Prevention Week”.

Whereas according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, inhalant use ranks third in popularity behind use of alcohol and tobacco for all youths through the eighth grade;

Whereas the over 1,000 products that are being inhaled to get high are legal, inexpensive, and found in nearly every home and corner market;

Whereas using inhalants even once to get high can lead to kidney failure, brain damage, or even death;

Whereas inhalants are considered a gateway drug, one that leads to the use of harder, more deadly drugs; and

Whereas because inhalant use is difficult to detect, the products used are accessible and affordable, and abuse is so

common, increased education of young people and their parents regarding the dangers of inhalants is an important step in our Nation's battle against drug abuse: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) designates the week of March 17 through  
3       March 23, 2002, as “National Inhalants and Poison  
4       Prevention Week”;

5               (2) encourages parents to learn about the dan-  
6       gers of inhalant abuse and discuss those dangers  
7       with their children; and

8               (3) requests that the President issue a procla-  
9       mation calling upon the people of the United States  
10      to observe the week with appropriate activities.

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